

Sandy City is "The Right Place" for REAL Soccer Stadium

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Local city leaders, state officials and hundreds of REAL Soccer enthusiasts gathered on Saturday, August 12th to break ground for the new 20,000 seat soccer stadium to be constructed on the corner of 9400 South and State Street in Sandy City. The groundbreaking coincided with the exhibition game that took place between REAL Salt Lake and REAL Madrid later on Saturday with both teams attending the announcement. REAL Madrid's David Beckham donned a hard hat along with other local officials and developers to help kick off the official beginning of the project. REAL officials anticipate that construction will begin as early as October of 2006 with a projected completion date for some time in 2008. In addition to the \$100 million state-of-the-art stadium, other components of the project will include a hotel, broadcast studio and a multi-phase development including housing, office, retail and restaurants. "This is a great opportunity for residents of Sandy to have this project take place in our community that will be a destination for so many people," states Sandy Mayor Tom Dolan, "The stadium along with the surrounding development will provide quality entertainment for families to enjoy a variety of venues and have quality restaurants and shopping all right at home." Additional information will appear in future newsletters about the Stadium Project.



Mayor Tom Dolan along with REAL Salt Lake owner, Dave Checketts, REAL Madrid's David Beckham and Mayor Rocky Anderson take part in the groundbreaking ceremony.

Sandy City Sees Decrease in Crime

Recent statistics gathered from the FBI as well as the Sandy City Police Department indicate a decrease in violent crime during 2004-2005. Several categories that are tracked have seen a significant decrease of as high as 43%. In comparing these statistics to the same information gathered in other large Salt Lake County cities, these numbers are very impressive. Other cities the size of Sandy City or larger did not have the same decreases but showed slight increases in categories. Sandy City Police Chief Steve Chapman states, "We attribute a portion of these decreases to the educational program that we have implemented in our community and in our local schools, making the citizens in Sandy aware of what is happening around them and helping prevent a crime or keeping a watchful eye in reporting when one does occur. We are very happy to see these numbers decrease and are working hard to make that the trend for coming years." After being consistently ranked in the Top 50 Safest Cities in the United States for the past nine years (Morgan Quitno Press 5th Annual through 12th Annual Awards), this year Sandy City was also named one of the Top 100 places to live in Money Magazine

Special Edition of the
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The next edition of the Sandy City Newsletter will be arriving in homes the week of October 2nd and will be a special edition titled "Emergency Preparedness." This newsletter will serve as a resource guide to help the citizens of Sandy in the event of a disaster and will cover specific topics that include: what the City is doing to prepare for a disaster, what you can expect from FEMA, what the most likely disasters are, Shelter-in-place, needed supplies, communication methods and other useful tips. It is the hope of Sandy City Administration that residents can use this guide as a resource to keep as a reference in case of a disaster and to help them become better prepared in their homes and businesses.

This month's newsletter will cover events ranging from August 15 through November 15 with the next regular edition scheduled to hit homes the week of November 13th. Please visit our website at www.sandy.utah.gov to see the full calendar of events and the other information on events occurring throughout the City.